

# SENATE BILL No. 464

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 35-42-2-7.5.

**Synopsis:** Tongue splitting. Makes it a Class C felony to perform tongue splitting on a person. Exempts a licensed physician or dentist when the act is performed in the course of the physician's or dentist's practice.

**Effective:** July 1, 2004.

**Merritt**

January 13, 2004, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal, Civil and Public Policy.

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Second Regular Session 113th General Assembly (2004)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2003 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 35-42-2-7.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2       AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3       1, 2004]: **Sec. 7.5. (a) As used in this section, "tongue splitting"**  
4       **means the cutting of a human tongue into two (2) or more parts.**  
5       **(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), a person who**  
6       **knowingly, recklessly, or intentionally performs tongue splitting on**  
7       **an individual commits tongue splitting, a Class C felony.**  
8       **(c) This section does not apply to an act of a:**  
9       **(1) physician licensed under IC 25-22.5; or**  
10       **(2) dentist licensed under IC 25-14;**  
11       **if the act is performed in the course of the physician's or dentist's**  
12       **practice.**

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